

## TRIBUTE TO LYAL HANSON

• Mr. BEGICH. Madam President, today I wish to honor Mr. Lyal Hanson, who is entering his 50th year of service to the United States Postal Service. The State of Alaska had only been a State for 5 years when Mr. Hanson began delivering mail.

In Alaska, mail delivery is not just a convenience; it is a necessity. For interior villages, towns on the coast, and residents who live in the Bush, the mail is a lifeline and often the only method of regular communication. In Alaska's urban and rural areas, the mail is a critical part of our communications infrastructure which allows small businesses to transport goods.

Today, Mr. Hanson delivers mail in South Anchorage near Tudor Road. Residents on his delivery route know him and appreciate his public service. Letter carriers like Lyal Hanson helped Alaska in the early stages of statehood and his work ties our communities together as we continue to grow.

Our State's economy has developed tremendously since Lyal Hanson began delivering mail, and the public service of people like him is part of our success story. At this time, I would like to recognize and thank Mr. Hanson for his many years of service to the United States Postal Service. We are fortunate to have someone as dedicated and committed to delivering mail in our communities.●

## TRIBUTE TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL GLENN JOHNSON

• Mr. BEGICH. Madam President, I rise today to congratulate LTC Glenn Johnson for his outstanding service to our Nation on the occasion of his retirement. His dedicated service to the citizens of our Nation is both admirable and commendable.

Lieutenant Colonel Johnson enlisted in the Army National Guard and Army Reserve directly out of high school, and then was commissioned as a Field Artillery Officer upon graduation from the University of South Carolina in December 1991. He has served in units in the United States, Germany, Korea, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Qatar, and has supported Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Enduring Freedom, and Iraqi Freedom.

Over the course of his distinguished career, he has served at all levels of the Army, from platoon leader to Chief of the Exercise and Training Branch, U.S. Force Korea, to legislative liaison in the Army Legislative Affairs division. I was honored to have Lieutenant Colonel Johnson serve as a military fellow in my office in 2010.

I would like to extend my deepest thanks to Lieutenant Colonel Johnson for his many years of service to our Nation. I wish the absolute best to him, his wife Bernadette, and their son Brent as they begin this next stage in their lives.●

## REMEMBERING ROBERT TEXTOR PH.D

• Mr. WYDEN. Madam President, earlier this year my home state of Oregon lost one of its most visionary citizens, Dr. Robert Bayard Textor. Today I wish to join his friends, family, colleagues, and I hope the rest of the country, in mourning the loss of this thoughtful and uniquely accomplished man, who would have turned 90 this week.

Linguists tell us that the term "citizen" is synonymous with an inhabitant of a city or community. Bob was all of that and much more.

Bob began his studies at Antioch College before joining the U.S. Army in 1943. After the war he volunteered to use newly acquired language skills to aid in the reconstruction of post-war Japan. Like our late colleague former Senator Mark Hatfield, his experiences in that war-ravaged country proved to be a turning point in his life. When he left Japan in 1948, Bob resumed his formal education and focused his Ph.D. studies at Cornell on what would be his lifelong passion—cultural anthropology—and committed himself to a career of seeking better ways to handle human problems.

Amid the Cold War and the arms race, Bob's drive to reduce intercultural misunderstanding led him to study first in Vienna, Austria, and late in Asia where he studied four different Asian languages.

Upon his return to the U.S., Bob advised the then-nascent Peace Corps in 1961-1962. During that time, he helped train the first cohort of Peace Corps Volunteers to be deployed in Thailand and wrote a memo to Peace Corps Director Sargent Shriver titled "In-Up-Out." That concept, specifying how the Peace Corps would benefit by staying youthful and vigorous, guides the agency to this day.

Bob joined the faculty of Stanford University in 1964. When he retired in 1990, he served as a Courtesy Professor of International Studies at the University of Oregon, bringing his rare gifts to Oregonians and visiting students alike.

While he researched, taught and studied at Harvard, Stanford, Oregon, and Cornell, above all, Dr. Textor was an anthropologist and an important innovator in the use of quantitative methods in comparative global analysis. He remains a force in what is now known as anticipatory anthropology and his work in this field lives on through the Textor Family Prize for Excellence in Anticipatory Anthropology.

He wrote a comprehensive book on the legendary Margaret Mead titled "The World Ahead," and, at the request of Motorola, co-authored an analysis of its corporate culture titled "Uncompromising Integrity: Motorola's Global Challenge."

While Dr. Textor will be remembered by his peers for his academic and governmental achievements, Bob Textor's

legacy is much more personal. In Portland, Bob served on the Metro Future Vision Commission and helped craft a report which still guides the Portland Metro area's development.

In 1998, Bob's "thirst" for knowledge prompted him to found a policy salon that lives today: The Thirsters. Convened every Thursday except Thanksgiving, the Thirsters bring together policy experts, diplomats, business people and academicians to thrash out issues of technology, politics, social justice, ethics, sustainability and culture, all done amicably over glasses of Oregon's famous home-grown beverages.

To quote his fellow Thirster, Lewis and Clark College Professor Emeritus Roger Paget: "He leaves a significant legacy, not only in several professional fields and the community of Thirsters, but above all in Marisa and Alex, his children, both of whom imbibed his love of making sense out of being in different cultures."

On behalf of his colleagues, the millions who have benefitted from their experience with the Peace Corps and my constituents in the Thirsters, I want to express my appreciation for Bob Textor's life and service to his country and the world.●

## MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 505. A bill to prohibit the use of drones to kill citizens of the United States within the United States.

## EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-728. A communication from the Chairman of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Buy American Act Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-729. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-479, "Compassionate Release Authorization Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-730. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-649, "Schedule H Property Tax Relief Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-731. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-651, "State Board of Education Personnel Authority Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-732. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report